

# Traditional Machine Learning Methods on Graphs II

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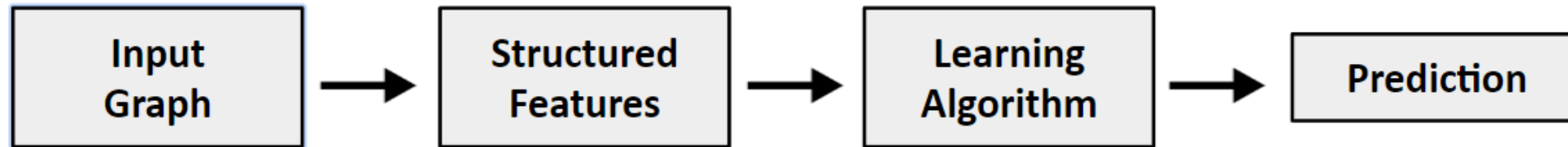
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- Graph Representation Learning aims to generate graph representation vectors that describe graph's structure. So we don't need to do feature engineering every single time.



**Feature Engineering**



**Representation Learning**

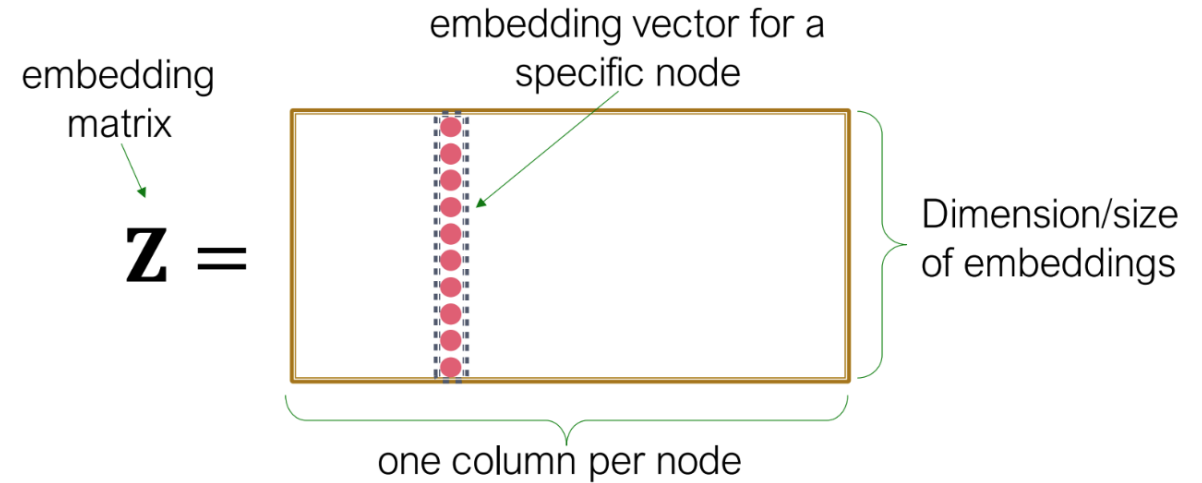
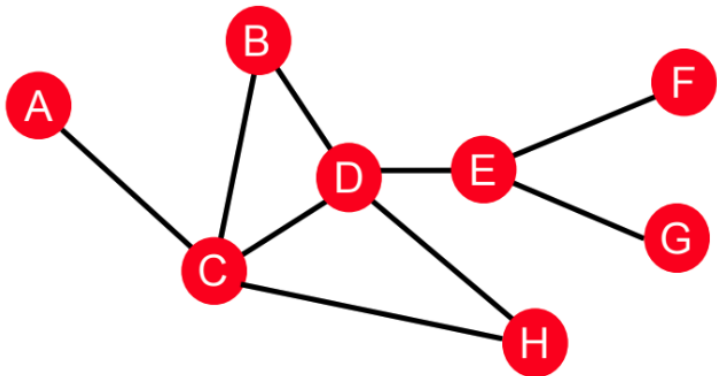
learn the features by itself

- SVM
- Random Forest
- XGBoost
- DNN

- Node-level
- Edge-level
- Graph-level

- We want to learn the embedding for every node  $\text{ENC}(v) = \mathbf{z}_v = \mathbf{Z} \cdot v$  such that:

$$\underset{\text{in the original network}}{\text{similarity}(u, v)} \approx \underset{\text{Similarity of the embedding}}{\mathbf{z}_v^T \mathbf{z}_u}$$



- Key distinction between “shallow” methods is **how they define node similarity**.
  - E.g., should two nodes have similar embeddings if they....
  - are connected?
  - share neighbors?
  - have similar “structural roles”?
  - ...

$$\text{similarity}(u, v) \approx \mathbf{z}_v^T \mathbf{z}_u$$

in the original network      Similarity of the embedding

- **Similarity function** is just the edge weight between  $u$  and  $v$  in the original network.
- **Intuition:** Dot products between node embeddings approximate edge existence.

$$\mathcal{L} = \sum_{(u,v) \in V \times V} \| \mathbf{z}_u^\top \mathbf{z}_v - \mathbf{A}_{u,v} \|^2$$

loss (what we want to minimize)

sum over all node pairs

embedding similarity

(weighted) adjacency matrix for the graph



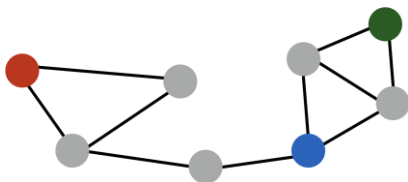
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- Find embedding matrix  $\mathbf{Z} \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times |V|}$  that minimizes the loss  $\mathcal{L}$ 
  - Option 1: **Use stochastic gradient descent (SGD)** as a general optimization method.
    - Highly scalable, general approach
  - Option 2: **Solve matrix decomposition solvers** (e.g., SVD or QR **decomposition** routines).
    - Only works in limited cases.

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➤ **Drawbacks:**

- $O(|V|^2)$  runtime. (Must consider all node pairs.)
  - Can make  $O(|E|)$  by only summing over non-zero edges and using regularization (e.g., Ahmed et al., 2013)
- $O(|V|)$  parameters! (One learned vector per node).
- Only considers direct, local connections.

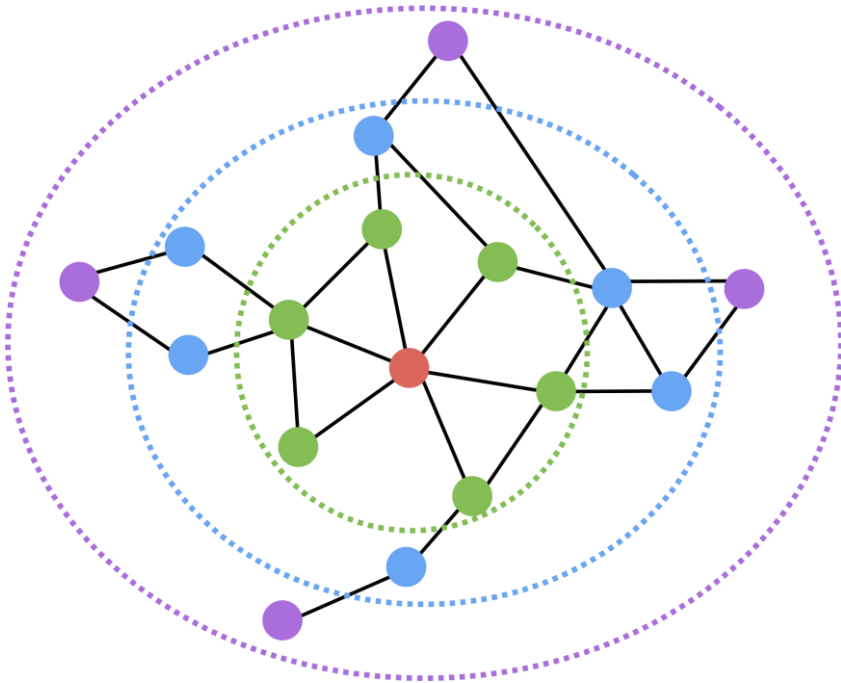


e.g., the **blue** node is obviously more similar to **green** compared to **red** node, despite none having direct connections.



- Material based on:
  - Cao et al. 2015. GraRep: Learning Graph Representations with Global Structural Information (CIKM 2015)
  - Ou et al. Asymmetric Transitivity Preserving Graph Embedding. (KDD 2016)

- **Idea:** Consider k-hop node neighbors.
  - E.g., two or three-hop neighbors.



- **Red:** Target node
- **Green:** 1-hop neighbors
  - $A$  (i.e., adjacency matrix)
- **Blue:** 2-hop neighbors
  - $A^2$
- **Purple:** 3-hop neighbors
  - $A^3$

➤ **Basic idea:**

$$\mathcal{L} = \sum_{(u,v) \in V \times V} \|\mathbf{z}_u^\top \mathbf{z}_v - \mathbf{A}_{u,v}^k\|^2$$

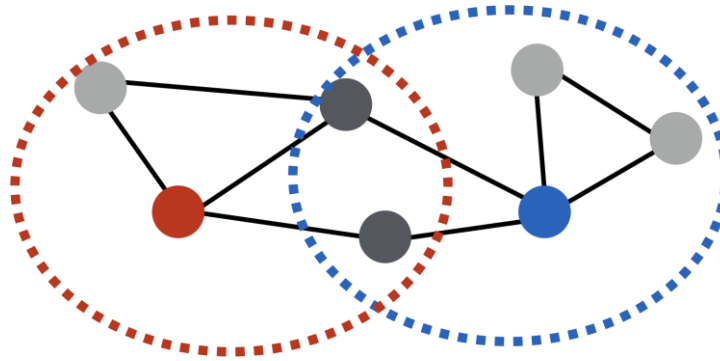
- Train embeddings to predict k-hop neighbors.
- In practice (GraRep from Cao et al, 2015):
  - Use log-transformed, probabilistic adjacency matrix:

$$\tilde{\mathbf{A}}_{i,j}^k = \max \left( \log \left( \frac{(\mathbf{A}_{i,j}/d_i)}{\sum_{l \in V} (\mathbf{A}_{l,j}/d_l)^k} \right)^k - \alpha, 0 \right)$$

node degree
constant shift

- Train multiple different hop lengths and concatenate output.

- Another option: Measure overlap between node neighborhoods.



- Example overlap functions:
- Jaccard similarity
- Adamic-Adar score

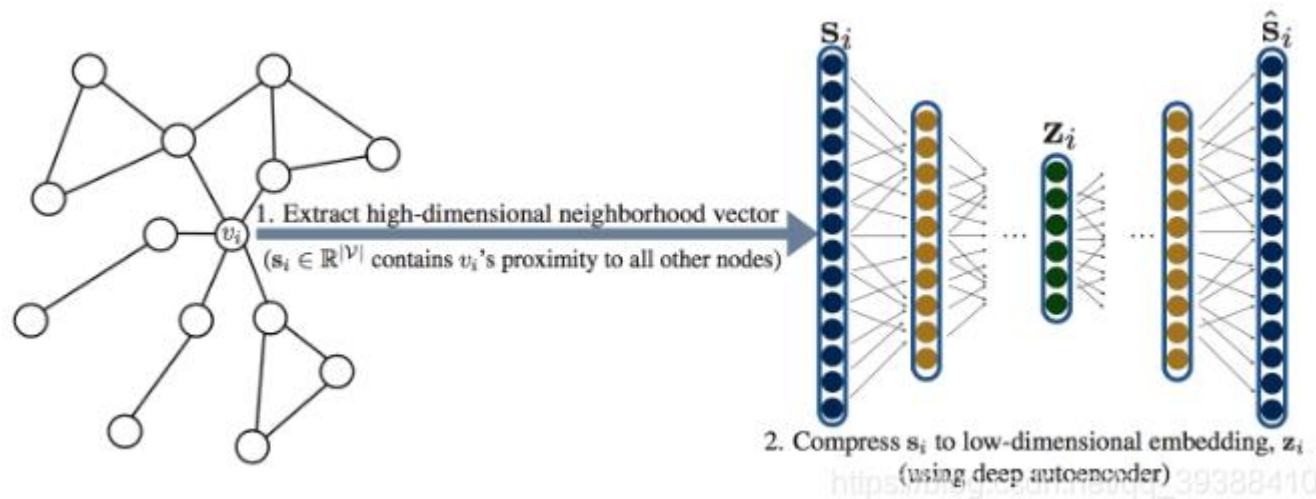
$$\mathcal{L} = \sum_{(u,v) \in V \times V} \left\| \boxed{\mathbf{z}_u^\top \mathbf{z}_v} - \boxed{\mathbf{S}_{u,v}} \right\|^2$$

embedding similarity      multi-hop network similarity  
(i.e., any neighborhood overlap measure)

- $\mathbf{S}_{u,v}$  is the neighborhood overlap between  $u$  and  $v$  (e.g., Jaccard overlap or Adamic-Adar score).
- This technique is known as HOPE (Yan et al., 2016).

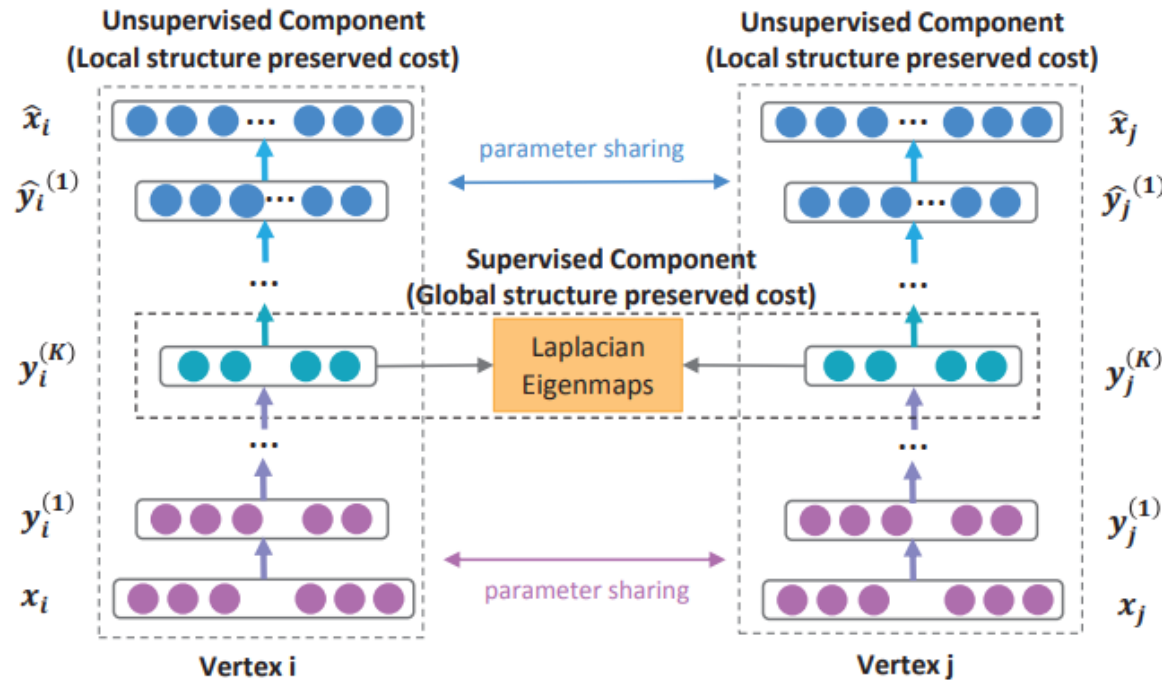
- Basic idea so far:
  - 1) Define pairwise node similarities.
  - 2) Optimize low-dimensional embeddings to approximate these pairwise similarities.
- Issues:
  - **Expensive**: Generally  $O(|V|^2)$ , since we need to iterate over all pairs of nodes.
  - **Brittle**: Must hand-design deterministic node similarity measures.
  - **Massive parameter space**:  $O(|V|)$  parameters

- The difference between SDNE and {Deepwalk, LINE, Node2vec} is that it is not based on the idea of random walks
- The main idea is based on **Autoencoder** to reduce the dimensionality of input vector and compress it, and then reconstruct the features.





- The framework of the semi-supervised deep model of SDNE.
- Similar to LINE, SDNE also wants to preserve 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> order similarity and optimize at the same time to capture both local pairwise similarity and the similarity of the node neighborhood structure.



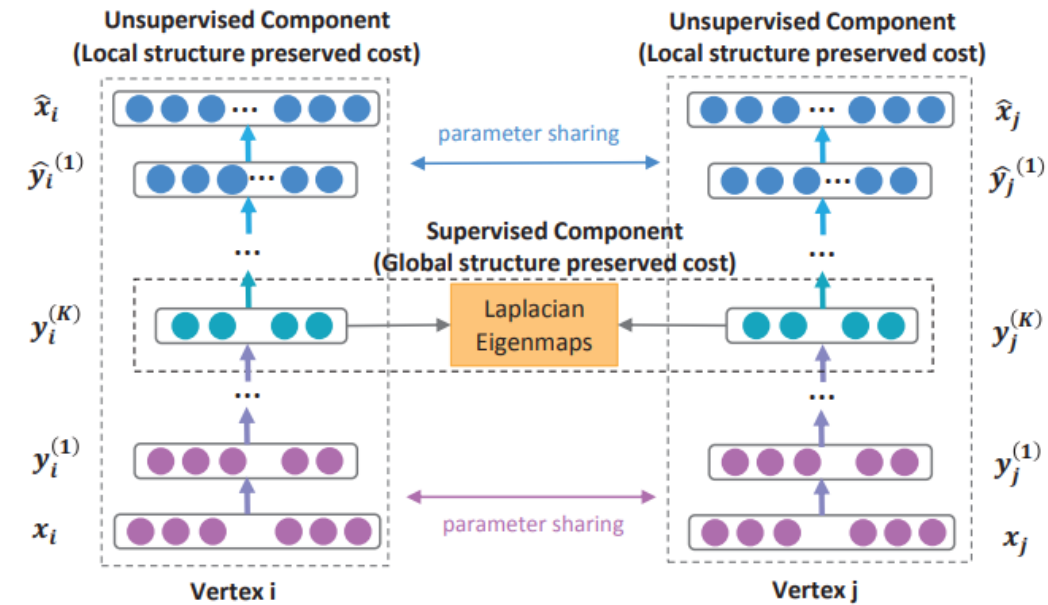
- Then given the input  $x_i$ , the hidden representations for each layer are:

$$y_i^{(1)} = \sigma(W^{(1)}x_i + b^{(1)})$$

$$y_i^{(k)} = \sigma(W^{(k)}y_i^{(k-1)} + b^{(k)}), k = 2, \dots, K$$

- The goal of the autoencoder is to **minimize the reconstruction error of the output and the input**.
- The loss function:

$$\mathcal{L} = \sum_{i=1}^n \|\hat{x}_i - x_i\|_2^2$$

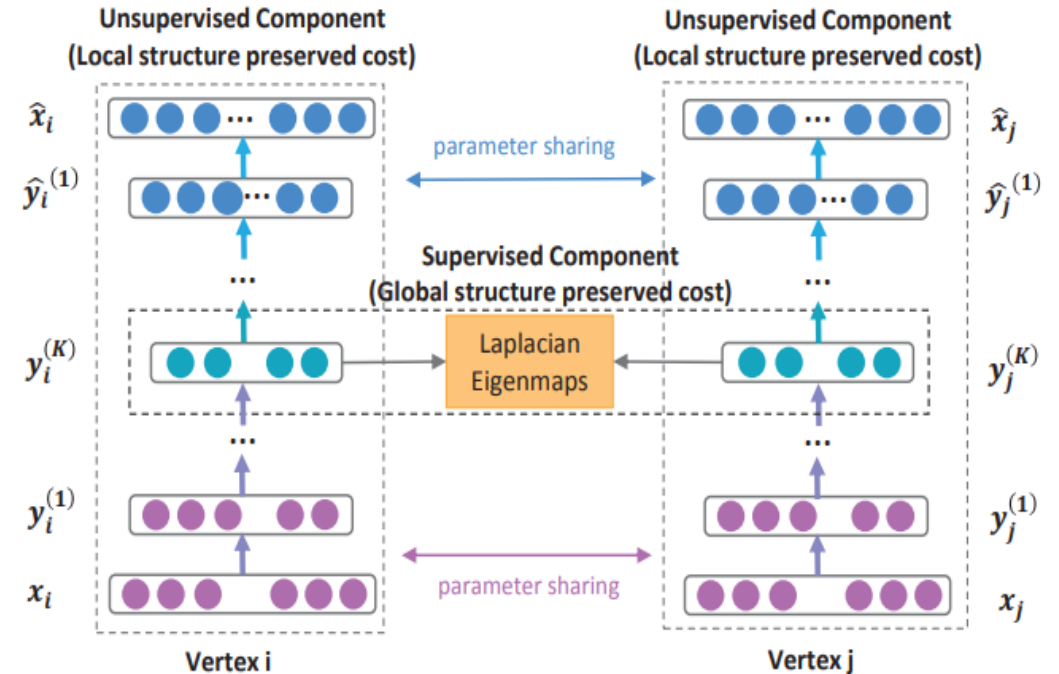


- Loss function for **first-order proximity**:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}_{1st} &= \sum_{i,j=1}^n s_{i,j} \|\mathbf{y}_i^{(K)} - \mathbf{y}_j^{(K)}\|_2^2 \\ &= \sum_{i,j=1}^n s_{i,j} \|\mathbf{y}_i - \mathbf{y}_j\|_2^2\end{aligned}$$

- Impose more penalty to the reconstruction **error of the non-zero elements** than that of zero elements:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}_{2nd} &= \sum_{i=1}^n \|(\hat{\mathbf{x}}_i - \mathbf{x}_i) \odot \mathbf{b}_i\|_2^2 \\ &= \|(\hat{X} - X) \odot B\|_F^2\end{aligned}$$

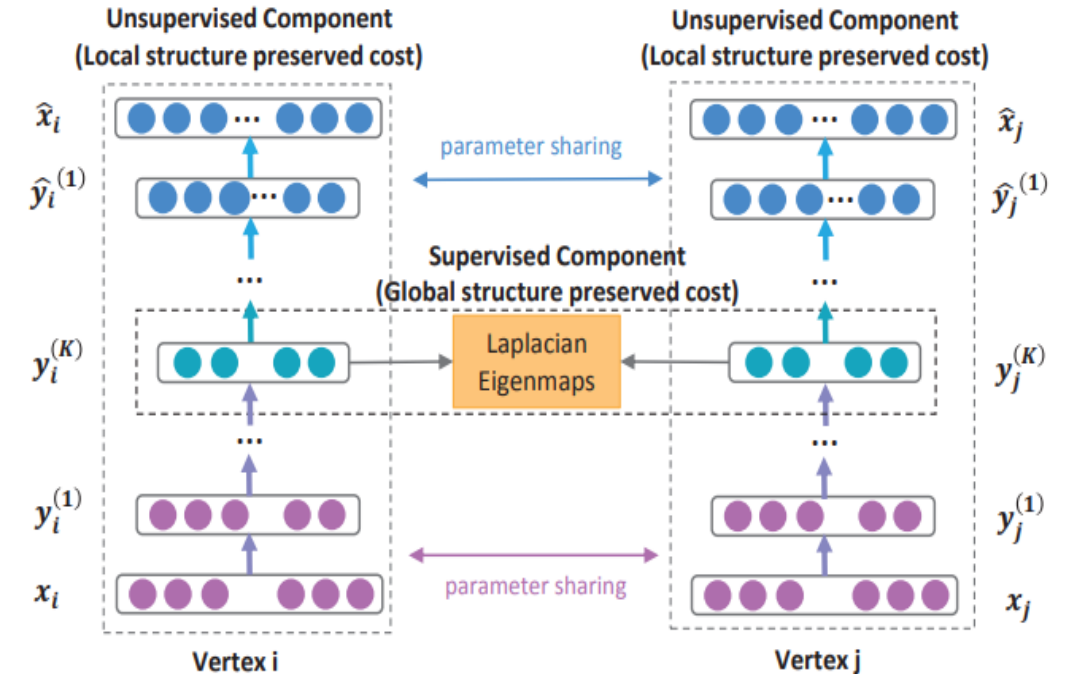


- To preserve the **first-order and second-order proximity** simultaneously, we need to minimize the **joint loss**:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}_{mix} &= \mathcal{L}_{2nd} + \alpha \mathcal{L}_{1st} + \nu \mathcal{L}_{reg} \\ &= \|(\hat{X} - X) \odot B\|_F^2 + \alpha \sum_{i,j=1}^n s_{i,j} \|\mathbf{y}_i - \mathbf{y}_j\|_2^2 + \nu \mathcal{L}_{reg}\end{aligned}$$

where  $\mathcal{L}_{reg}$  is an L2-norm **regularizer** term to prevent overfitting, which is defined as follows:

$$\mathcal{L}_{reg} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^K (\|W^{(k)}\|_F^2 + \|\hat{W}^{(k)}\|_F^2)$$



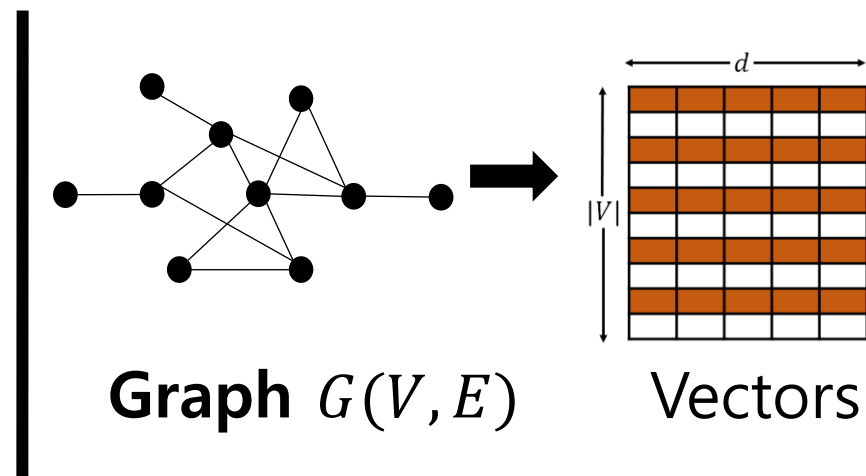
- Popular previous works include

DeepWalk[Perozzi+, KDD2014]

Node2vec[Grover+, KDD 2016]

SDNE[Wang+, KDD 2016]

LINE[Tang+, WWW 2015]



Limited just to the node embeddings

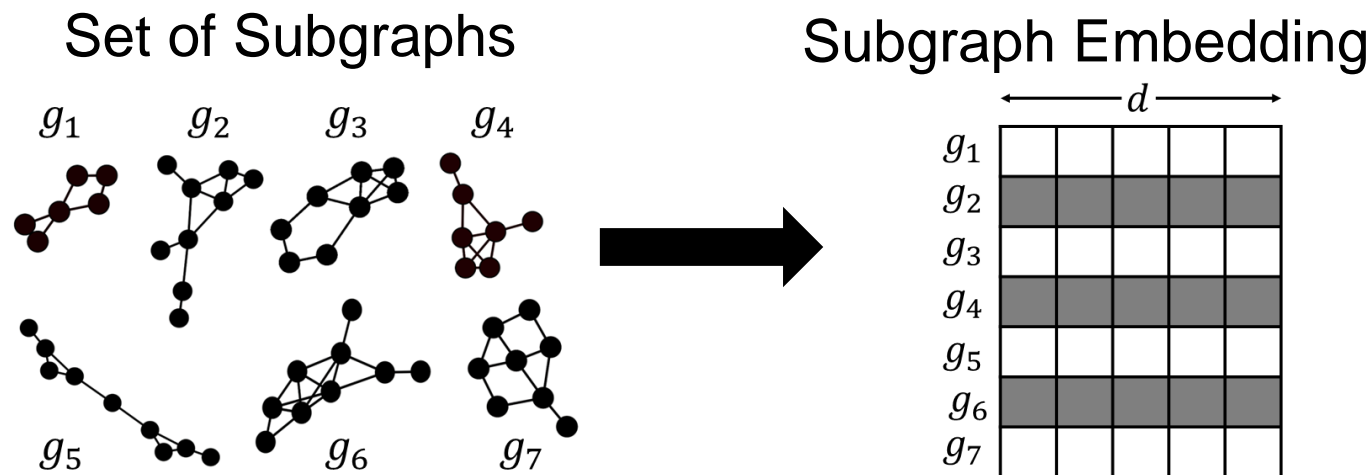
- Learning **representation of substructures**
  - Extend the **WL relabeling strategy** to define a **proper context** for a given subgraph.
  - A modification to the skipgram model enabling it to **capture varying length radial contexts**

➤ **Given:**

- A set  $S = \{g_1, g_2, \dots, g_n\}$  of subgraphs
- Typically for the same graph
- An integer  $d$

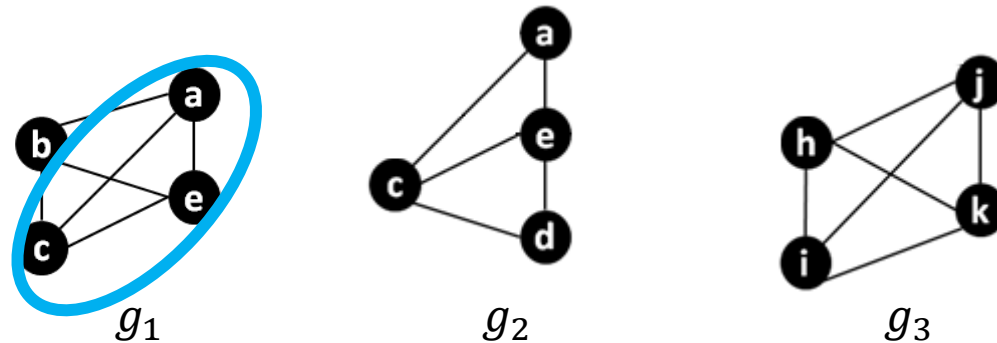
➤ **Learning:**

- $d$ -dimensional embedding for each subgraph
- Such that **pre-defined subgraph property is preserved**





- What subgraph property to preserve?
  - Neighbourhood Property:
    - Captures **neighbourhood information within the subgraph**



- Subgraph  $g_1$  and  $g_2$  share neighbourhood
- Subgraph  $g_3$  does not

- Generate rooted subgraphs around every node in a given graph
- Considers all the rooted subgraphs (up to a certain degree) of neighbours of  $r$  as the context of target subgraphs

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**Algorithm 2:** GETWLSUBGRAPH  $(v, G, d)$ 

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**input** :  $v$ : Node which is the root of the subgraph  
 $G = (V, E, \lambda)$ : Graph from which subgraph has to be extracted  
 $d$ : Degree of neighbours to be considered for extracting subgraph

**output:**  $sg_v^{(d)}$ : rooted subgraph of degree  $d$  around node  $v$

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1 begin
2    $sg_v^{(d)} = \{\}$ 
3   if  $d = 0$  then
4      $sg_v^{(d)} := \lambda(v)$ 
5   else
6      $\mathcal{N}_v := \{v' \mid (v, v') \in E\}$ 
7      $M_v^{(d)} := \{\text{GETWLSUBGRAPH}(v', G, d - 1) \mid v' \in \mathcal{N}_v\}$ 
8      $sg_v^{(d)} := sg_v^{(d)} \cup \text{GETWLSUBGRAPH}$ 
        $(v, G, d - 1) \oplus \text{sort}(M_v^{(d)})$ 
9   return  $sg_v^{(d)}$ 
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- The skipgram model maximizes **co-occurrence probability among the sub-graphs** that appear within a given context window.

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**Algorithm 3:** RADIALSKIPGRAM  $(\Phi, sg_v^{(d)}, G, D)$ 


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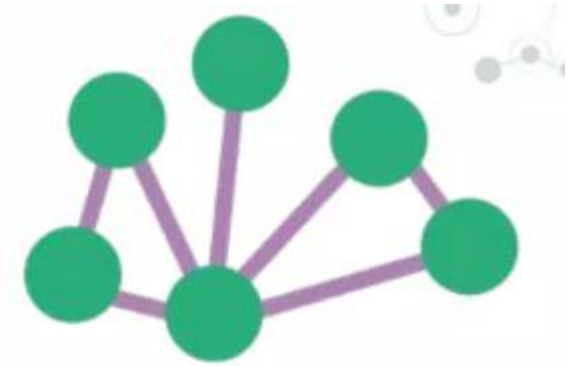
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1 begin
2    $context_v^{(d)} = \{\}$ 
3   for  $v' \in \text{NEIGHBOURS}(G, v)$  do
4     for  $\partial \in \{d-1, d, d+1\}$  do
5       if  $(\partial \geq 0 \text{ and } \partial \leq D)$  then
6          $context_v^{(d)} = context_v^{(d)} \cup$ 
           GETWLSUBGRAPH( $v', G, \partial$ )
7   for each  $sg_{cont} \in context_v^{(d)}$  do
8      $J(\Phi) = -\log \Pr(sg_{cont} | \Phi(sg_v^{(d)}))$ 
9      $\Phi = \Phi - \alpha \frac{\partial J}{\partial \Phi}$ 

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- Single node type and single edge type
  - E.g.,
    - Users **follow** other Users
- Heterogeneous Graphs
  - Multiple node and/or edge types
  - E.g.,
    - Users follow other Users
    - Users fave tweets
    - Users reply to tweets



homogeneous



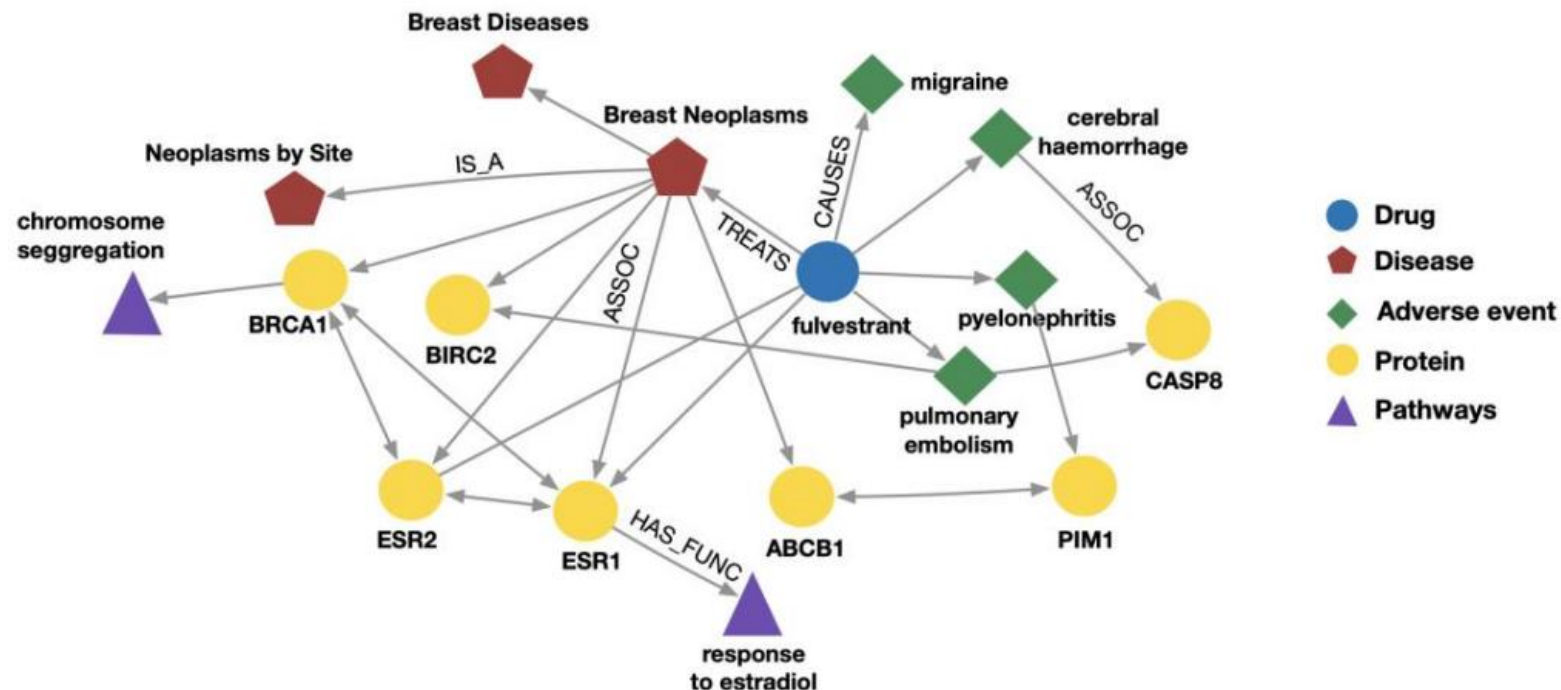
heterogeneous

- A heterogeneous graph is defined as:

$$G = (V, E, R, T)$$

- Nodes with node types  $v_i \in V$
- Edges with relation types  $(v_i, r, v_j) \in E$
- Node type  $T(v_i)$
- Relation type  $r \in R$

- Example node: Migraine
- Example edge: (fulvestrant, Treats, Breast Neoplasms)
- Example node type: Protein
- Example edge type (relation): Causes

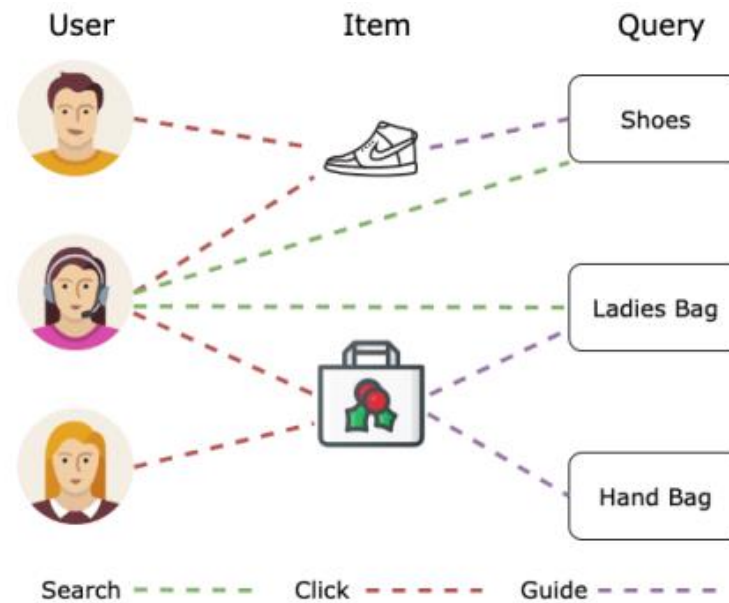


- Academic Graphs:
  - Example node: ICML
  - Example edge: (GraphSAGE, NeurIPS)
  - Example node type: Author
  - Example edge type (relation): pubYear

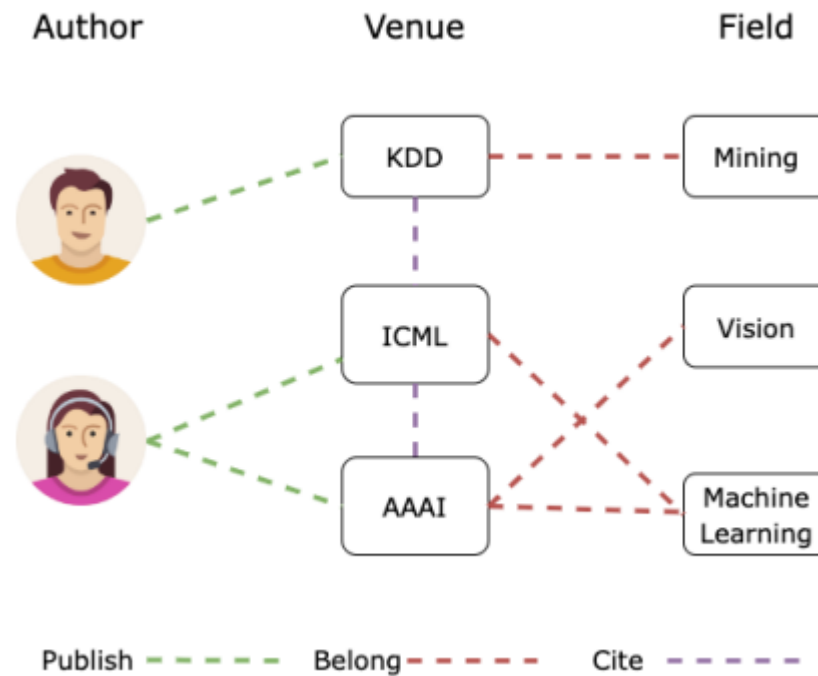




- Example: E-Commerce Graph
- Node types: User, Item, Query, Location, ...
- Edge types: Purchase, Visit, Guide, Search, ...
- Different node type's features spaces can be different!



- Example: Academic Graph
- Node types: Author, Paper, Venue, Field, ...
- Edge types: Publish, Cite, ...
- Benchmark dataset: Microsoft Academic Graph



- **Complex Structure**

- The structure in Heterogeneous Graphs is highly semantic-dependent, such as a meta-path structure

- **Heterogeneous Attributes**

- different types of nodes and edges have different attributes which are located in different feature spaces.
  - To effectively fuse the attributes of neighbors Heterogeneous methods have to overcome this heterogeneity.

#### Meta path [Han VLDB'11]

- A sequence of node class sets connected by edge types

$$\Pi^{1\dots n} = C_1 \xrightarrow{e_1} \dots C_i \xrightarrow{e_i} \dots C_n$$

- Benefits of Meta Paths
- Multi-hop relationships instead of direct links
- Combine multiple relationships

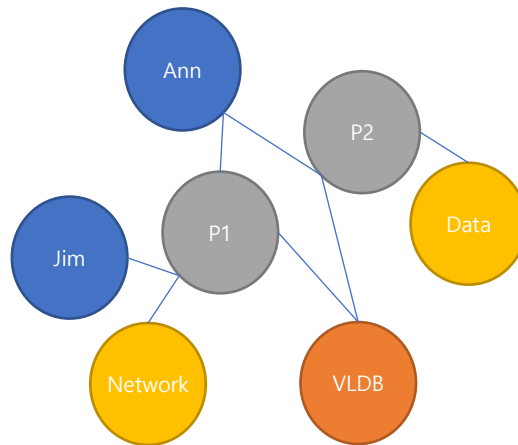
$m1 : \text{USPresident} \xrightarrow{\text{hasChild}} \text{Person} \xrightarrow{\text{hasChild}^{-1}} \text{USFirstLady},$   
 $m2 : \text{USPresident} \xrightarrow{\text{memberOf}} \text{USPoliticalParty} \xrightarrow{\text{memberOf}^{-1}} \text{USFirstLady},$   
 $m3 : \text{USPresident} \xrightarrow{\text{citizenOf}} \text{Country} \xrightarrow{\text{citizenOf}^{-1}} \text{USFirstLady}.$



- Similarity score for a node pair following a single meta-path
  - **Path Count (PC)** [Han ASONAM'11]
    - Number of the paths following a given meta-path
  - **Path Constrained Random Walk (PCRW)** [Cohen KDD'11]
    - Transition probability of a random walk following a given meta-path
- Similarity score for a node pair following a combination of multiple meta-paths
  - Aggregate Function  $F$  to combine the similarity scores for each single meta path

## ➤ Meta Path

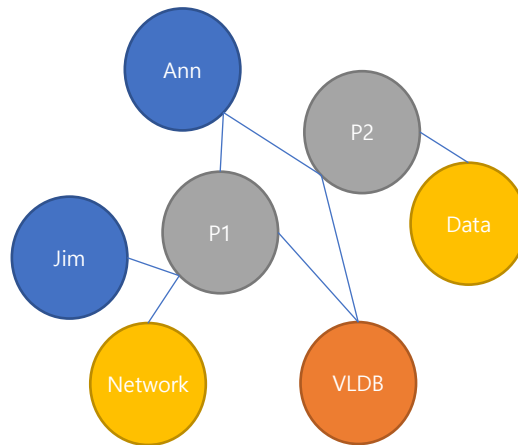
- Two objects can be connected via different connectivity paths
- E.g., two authors can be connected by
  - “author-paper-author” (APA)
  - “author-paper-author-paper-author” (APAPA)
  - “author-paper-venue-paper-author” (APCPA)
- Each connectivity path represents a different semantic meaning and implies different similarity semantics



- A meta path is a meta level description of the topological connectivity between objects
  - Given a Network Schema, A meta path can be defined as

$$A_1 \xrightarrow{R_1} A_2 \xrightarrow{R_2} \dots \xrightarrow{R_l} A_{l+1}$$

- Can be considered as a new relation defined on type  $A_1$  and  $A_{l+1}$





➤ Path Count:

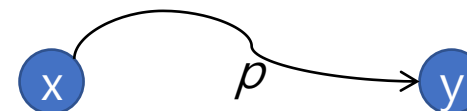
- The number of path instances  $p$  between  $x$  and  $y$  following  $P$ :

$$s(x,y) = |\{p : p \in P\}|$$

➤ Random Walk:

- The probability  $Prob(p)$  of the random walk that starts from  $x$  and ends with  $y$  following meta path  $P$ , which is the sum of the probabilities of all the path instances  $p$

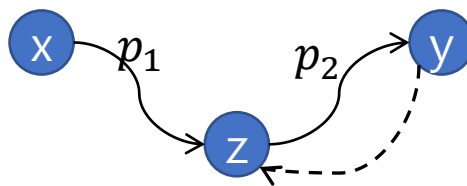
$$s(x,y) = \sum_{p \in P} Prob(p)$$



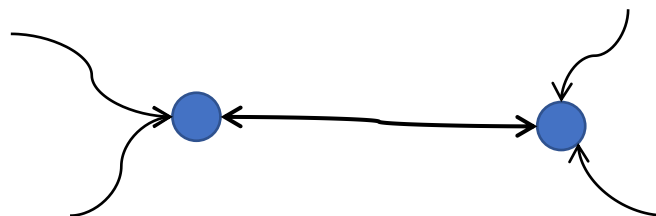
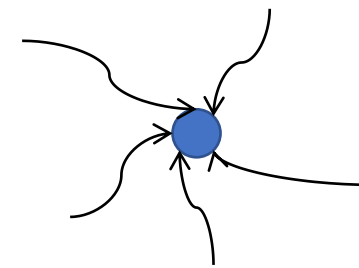
## ➤ Pairwise Random Walk

- For a meta path  $P$  that can be decomposed into two shorter meta paths with the same length  $P = (P_1 P_2)$ , pairwise random walk probability is the probabilities starting from  $x$  and  $y$  and reaching the same middle object  $z$

$$s(x, y) = \sum_{(p_1 p_2) \in (P_1 P_2)} \text{Prob}(p_1) \text{Prob}(p_2^{-1})$$

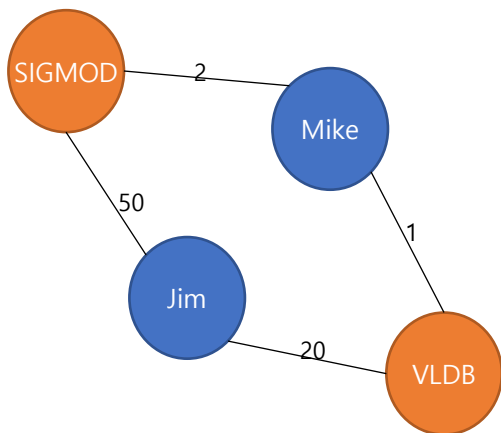


- Similarity in terms of 'Peers'
  - Two similar peer object should not only be strongly connected, but also share comparable visibility.
- Path count and Random walk (RW)
  - Favor highly visible objects (objects with large degrees)
- Pairwise random walk (PRW)
  - Favor pure objects (objects with highly skewed scatterness in their in-links or out-links)
- PathSim
  - Favor "peers" (objects with similar visibility and strong connectivity under the given meta path)



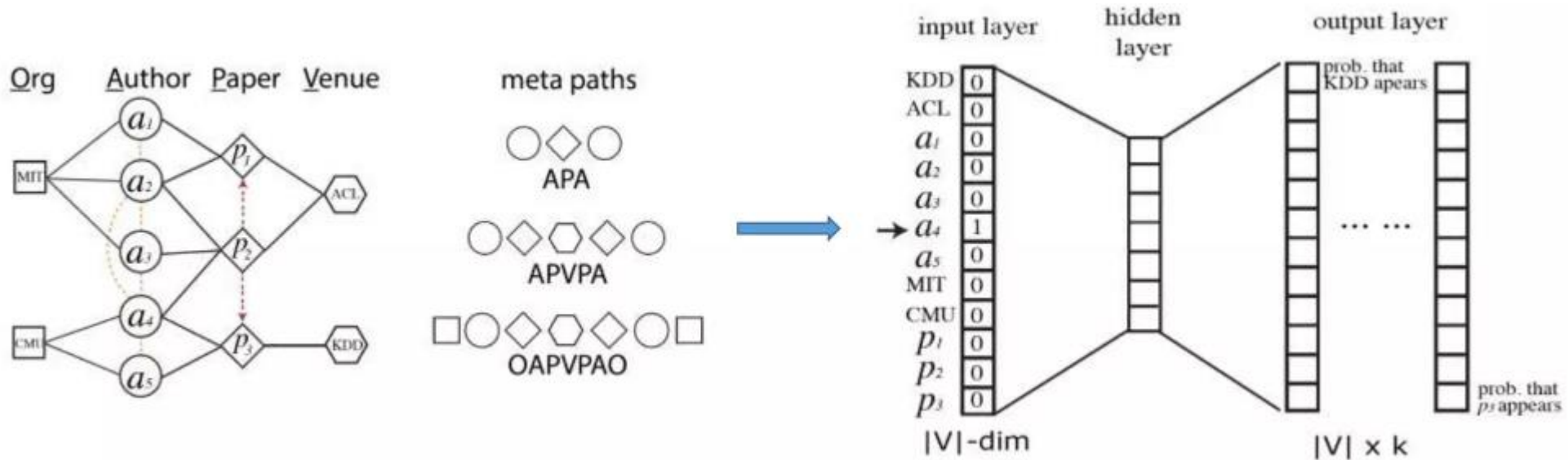
- Restricted on Round-Trip Meta Path
  - A round-trip meta path is a path of the form of  $P = (P_l P_l^{-1})$
  - Guarantees a symmetric relation

$$s(x, y) = \frac{2 \times |\{p_{x \rightsquigarrow y} : p_{x \rightsquigarrow y} \in \mathcal{P}\}|}{|\{p_{x \rightsquigarrow x} : p_{x \rightsquigarrow x} \in \mathcal{P}\}| + |\{p_{y \rightsquigarrow y} : p_{y \rightsquigarrow y} \in \mathcal{P}\}|}$$



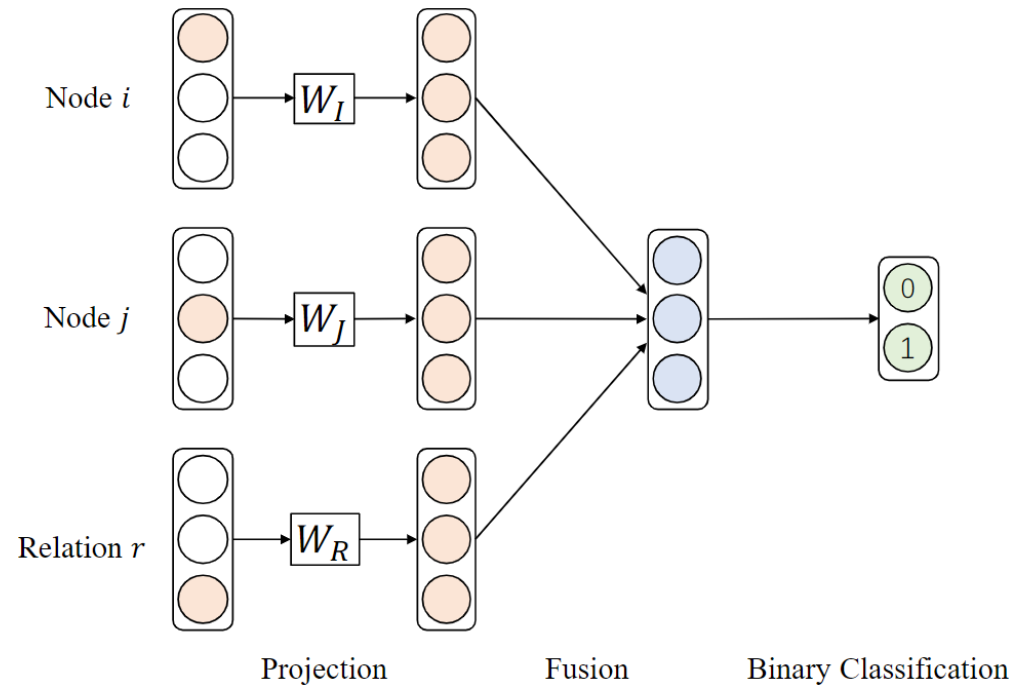
$$s(\text{Mike}, \text{Jim}) = \frac{2 * (2 * 50 + 1 * 20)}{(2 * 2 + 1 * 1) + (50 * 50 + 20 * 20)} = 0.0826$$

- A meta-path is a sequence of node types encoding key composite relations among the involved node types
- Meta-paths are used to guide random walks to redefine the neighborhood of a node
- Metapath2Vec (KDD 2017)

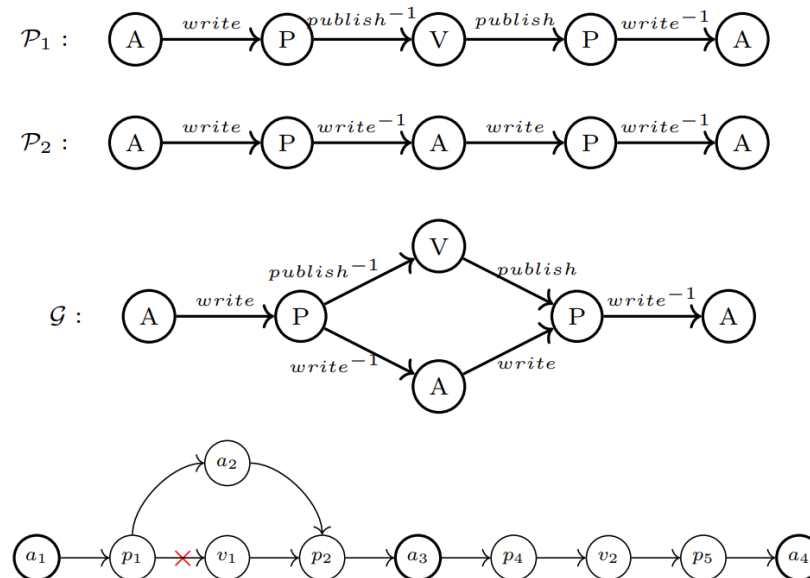


- Metapath2vec++ samples the negative nodes of the same type as the central node by maintaining separate multinomial distributions for each node type in the output layer of the skip-gram model

- Combines first-order relation and high-order relation (i.e. meta-paths)
- HIN2vec works in a multi-label classification style by predicting whether two given nodes are connected by a meta-path



- A meta-graph is a DAG defined on the given HIN schema which has only a single source node and a single target node
- Real-world HINs often have to deal with sparse or missing connections. As the following example shows, meta-paths  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  will fail to capture path  $a_1 \rightarrow a_4$  the highlighted link is missing.
- However, the meta-graph  $G$  provides a richer structural context and is able to perform this random walk. This shows the meta-graph's capability to match more paths in a sparse context.



- **Challenges:**
  - How to select meta-paths?
    - Graph specific and highly depends on prior knowledge from domain experts.
    - Strategies to combine a set of meta-paths can be complex and computationally expensive
  - The choice of metapaths highly affects the quality of the learned node embeddings for a specific task.
- **Are metapaths necessary?**



## ➤ JUST idea:

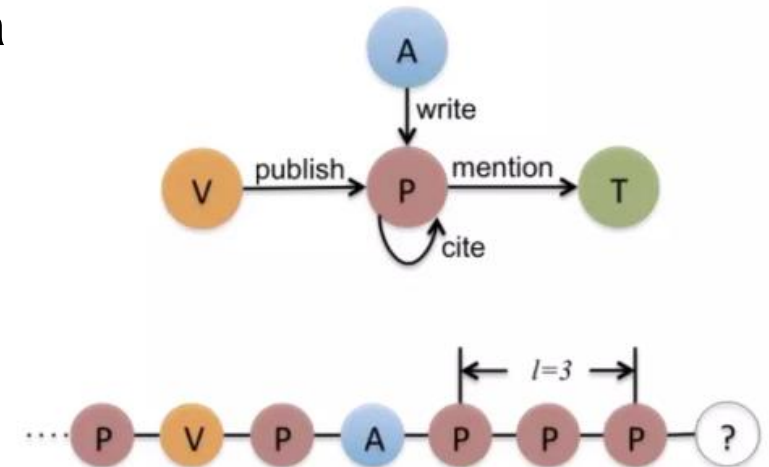
- Random walk with JUmP and Stay strategies to probabilistically control the random walk
- Learn node embeddings with SkipGram model
- Jump or Stay?
  - **Objective:** Balance the number of heterogeneous a traversed during random walks.

$$\Pr_{stay}(v_i) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } V_{stay}(v_i) = \emptyset \\ 1, & \text{if } (V_{stay}^q(v_i) \mid q \in Q, q \neq \phi(v_i)) = \emptyset \\ \alpha^l, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Where:

$\alpha \in [0,1]$  is an initial stay probability

$l$  refers to the number of nodes consecutively visited in the same domain

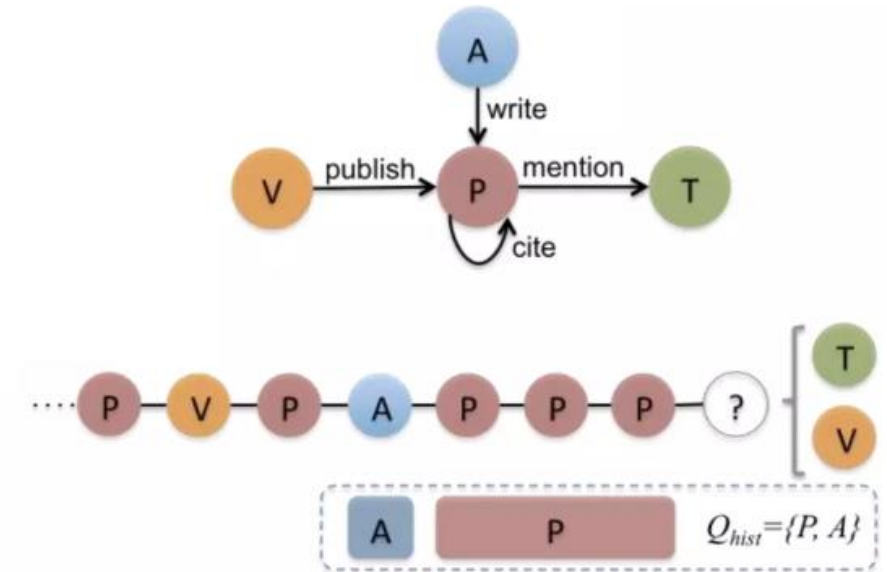


## Where to JUmP?

- **Objective:** control the randomness in choosing a target domain
- Define a fixed length queue  $Q_{hist}$  to memorize up to m previously visited domains:

$$Q_{Jump}(v_i) = \begin{cases} \{q|q \in Q \wedge q \notin Q_{hist}, V_{jump}^q(v_i) \neq \emptyset\}, & \text{if not empty} \\ \{q|q \in Q, q \neq \phi(v_i), V_{jump}^q(v_i) \neq \emptyset\}, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- For each node in the graph, initialize a random walk, until the maximum length is reached.
- Maximize the co-occurrence probability of two nodes appearing within a context window in the random walk using SkipGram model



- Meta-paths have to be manually customized based on task and dataset, hence requiring domain knowledge.
- They fail to capture more complex relationships such as motifs.
  - i.e. patterns of interconnections occurring in complex networks at numbers that are significantly higher than those in randomized networks<sup>4</sup>.
- The usage of meta-path is limited to the discrete space.
  - If two vertices are not structurally connected in the graph, metapath-based methods cannot capture their relations.



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